The release of funds under NRHM to States is on basis of State Programme Implementation Plans (PIPs) and is a function of statisfactory progress of agreed Performance Indicators. The PIPs are prepared on basis of availability of overall funds and annual prioritization of the Perspective plan of the State for the Mission Period. Each State has also entered into a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the good and performance incentives are available to the States upon attainment of predecided performance criteria.

Malpractice in Government Hospitals

1258. SHRI TARIQ ANWAR:
SHRI KAMAL AKHTAR:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that food and other materials provided in Government hospitals are not reaching to the patients in Delhi rather they are being misused by the Staff working there;

(b) if so, how many departmental enquiries have been initiated against the culprits; and

(c) the steps Government are taking to minimize this kind of malpractices?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI PANABAKA LAKSHMI): (a) to (c) In the three Central Government Hospitals in Delhi namely, Dr. Ram Manohar Lohia Hospital, Safdarjung Hospital and Lady Harding Medical College & Associated Hospital, there is a well laid down procedure for distribution of food items to the patients and the food items meant for patient does reach them and is not misused by the Staff. Similarly, medicines and other materials meant for the patients are supplied to the patients. All complaints received in this regard are looked into.

Global Healthcare Conference

1259. DR. VIJAY MALLYA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that recently a conference on "Global Healthcare-Promoting Partnership" was held sponsored by FICCI, a number of

recommendations were made for improvement in the working of the health care sector;

(b) if so, the details of the recommendations thereof; and

(c) whether Government has considered these suggestions and what is the reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI PANABAKA LAKSHMI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) The recommendations that emerged in the Conference include *inter-alia:*

(i) Public Private Partnership format for proper and efficient delivery of health care mechanism through out the country, particularly in the secondary and tertiary health care.

(ii) Create a policy framework that can facilitate and attract huge doses of private investment in medical infrastructure and education.

(iii) Facilitate private investment in medical education and training to overcome the shortage of doctors and nurses, improve infrastructure and enhance the quality of services in education and training.

(iv) Address the issues relating to quality of health care services.

(v) Facilitate the expansion and creation of market for a robust and quality health care system in the country that would attract private insurance companies in the field of Health Insurance.

(vi) To extend the custom duty exemption to more life saving and essential drugs, not manufactured in India.

(vii) To introduce a health cess to increase Govtervnment resources.

Government has considered these recommendations and feel that they are very good suggestions for action in future.